

# San Diego DX Club San Diego



June 2010



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**MEETING PROGRAM:**  
**WILD BILL WB6BFG AND ELLEN N6UWW**  
**WILL PRESENT THEIR**  
**GJ2A JERSEY DXPEDITION**

**MEETING NOTICE:**  
**JOIN US AT THE SIZZLER**  
**AERO DRIVE & MURPHY CANYON RD**  
**WEDNESDAY JUNE 23, 2010**  
**SOCIAL HOUR, 5:00 P.M.**

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**K6NA**  
**Glenn Rattmann**  
**Host**  
**65th Anniversary**  
**BASH**





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## From the Prez . . . .

Wayne Zimmerman NN6R



Well, the dog days of summer are about upon us and the propagation hasn't been anything to bark about either. We appear to be experiencing the seasonal blocking of the F layer that typically occurs during May and June. Get your antennas ready for fall.

I wanted to take this opportunity to reflect back on this past year as your President. It has been quite a ride and a lot of things have happened. A lot of very dedicated members came through in helping make this a memorable year. Thanks to my Board of Director's help, one of the things we accomplished was to revamp our Constitution and By-Laws. The old documents had not been updated in years and I think we now have something we can lean on for a long time into the future.

Additionally, this was quite a year with respect to San Diego trying to destroy ham radio as we know it. A number of folks put in a lot of time in trying to head this off. We aren't out of the woods yet and I predict a tough fight is still in the offing.

We are also in the midst of our 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and put together a Birthday BASH complete with complimentary coffee mugs to help celebrate. As part of the celebration, yet not exclusive to it, we made available shirts with name, call, and club logo as well as baseball style hats with name and call. Judging by the orders to date, these items have gone over very well. A great time was had by all that attended the BASH at Glenn's, and except for the wind, the weather was cool but nice with lots of good food and drink.

Our new website can't be overlooked either. Arnie, W7BIA, stepped forward to answer the call and has done a marvelous job. I do believe it took far more effort than he initially thought. At the same time, we can't overlook the job Bob Farkaly, K9RHY, has done as our new Bulletin editor. Month after month he has put out an impressive Bulletin.

Also, a great big "Thank You" to all of you who helped work the registration booth at Visalia DX Convention. Everyone showed up and on time, making for a very smooth effort. Congrats to our Co – Dxers of the Year that we announced at the Saturday banquet.

I'm sure that most of you have noticed that the club has grown significantly over the past year. I guess that shows that if you put on a good program they will come. Thanks to Gayle's efforts this year, we have had some very good programs.

So, as I ride off into the sunset, I want to again say "Thanks" to all of you for allowing me to be your President this past year. I've had a great time.

**DX IS !**

**73, Wayne, NN6R**

The San Diego DX Club (SDDXC) is among the best known and most highly respected DX clubs in the United States. Since it's founding in 1946, SDDXC members have been on both sides of the pile-ups with DXpeditions and a fair share have achieved "Top of the Honor Roll" status. If you're interested in chasing DX, contesting, exchanging stories or just rubbing elbows with fellow "Big Guns" or "Little Pistols", you'll feel right at home at one of our club meetings. Join us at our next meeting. Visitors are particularly welcome!

## Treasurers Report

Leon Helms, N6VS



### Treasurers Report

Bank Balance as of May 1, 2010 4,143.07

#### Income:

Membership dues 20.00

Shirt and hat purchases 148.00

#### Expenses:

Purchase of shirts and hats 192.02

Award plaques 243.38

Bank balance May 1,2010 3,875.67

Petty Cash on hand 20.00

Balance checking & Petty Cash 3,895.67

Antenna Ordinance balance -142.75

### San Diego DX Club Meeting Minutes

The San Diego DX Club held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at the Sizzler Restaurant, Aero drive at Murphy Canyon Road. Vice President Gayle Olson, K6GO called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Glenn K6NA representing the nominating committee presented the candidates for election.

Gayle Olson K6GO President

Dick Garren K6GAK, Vice President

Les Nuhn NN6K, Board Member

Leon Helms N6VS Secretary, Treasurer

There was a call for nominations from the floor and since there were none, the candidates were declared elected by voice acclamation.

John, K6AM's top ten presentation was the top 20 Total Band Countries. Rick, N6ND sits on the top of the pile with 2817 confirmed.

The roundtable was lively with reports from Dayton, field day plans, 6 meter openings and WPX being discussed..

N7CW presented the evening's program of the VooDoo 9L5A dxpedition. His presentation added a lot to the standard presentation. Several members remarked that this was the most enjoyable program that had been presented in some time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Leon Helms N6VS secretary/treasurer

## The SDDXC Top 10

John, K6AM



### TOTAL BAND-COUNTRIES WORKED

06 10	06 09	CALL	ZNS	C-D	CFM	WKD	CHG
1.	1.	N6ND	377	2071	2106	2817	+23
2.	2.	K6AM		2603	2633	2655	+11
3.	5.	K6TQ	373	2633	2633	2633	+158
4.	4.	N6CW	353	?	2116	2549	-
5.	6.	N7CW	366	1951	1951	2435	-
6.	7.	N6AW	350	2338	2395	2421	-
7.	9.	W6YA	348	?	?	2389	-
8.	8.	K6XT	353	1948	1981	2354	+13
9.	10.	W6EUF	2040	2118	2317	-	
10.	11.	W6YI	349	1952	1980	2218	+141
11.	12.	W6YOO	306	2066	2079	2079	+28
12.	13.	K6ZH	326	1761	1778	1947	+51
13.	14.	K0XB	314	1626	1640	1807	+141
14.	15.	WN6K	299	1255	1274	1650	+19
15.	16.	W6BS		1012	1131	1553	-
16.	20.	NN6K	206	1308	1308	1345	+136
17.	17.	W6CN		1206	1228	1314	-
18.	19.	N6VS	269	1252	1254	1307	+39
19.	18.	N7TY	249	1226	1226	1286	-
20.	-	W6TUR	1091	1091	1208	NEW	

Some nice big jumps this time in the TBC category, the granddaddy of DX'ing, mostly on the wide-open WARC bands. Rick, N6ND holds his lead at number one for the ninth year with the highest score I've seen on the West Coast. There's plenty of room to make a decent gain in this category by getting on those bands where your totals are still low. Even at the bottom of the cycle there is plenty of activity on 30 and 17 meters. For the TBC list, we are showing the first 20 places to accommodate the large number of entries in this category.

Each month, we will publish a top ten list for one of the lesser-recognized but hard won categories. Coming up next, 6/160 and RTTY followed by phone and CW. Please send me your totals for each band throughout the year and you will be listed in coming months. Use the convenient form at

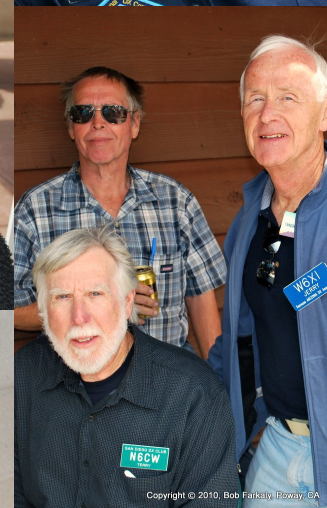
<http://www.sddxc.org>

or bring 'em to the meeting.

# DX Is!!!



**SDDXC 65th Anniversary and Birthday Bash  
hosted by Glenn (K6NA) and Jane Rattmann at  
their Valley Center Ranchette and Antenna Farm**





***This year's Summer BASH will be held at  
Wayne (W6IRD) and Sharon Spring's  
QTH in Orange on Sunday August 22***



2010 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention

September 17, 18 & 19, 2010

San Diego, California

Four Points Hotel Sheraton, San Diego

It's time for one of the best ARRL Conventions on the West Coast! Come see the Ham Gear and take in the sights of Sunny San Diego!

For up to date information about the Convention, please visit us at the website: [www.sandarc.org/Click on Convention Button](http://www.sandarc.org/Click on Convention Button).

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See you at the Convention!



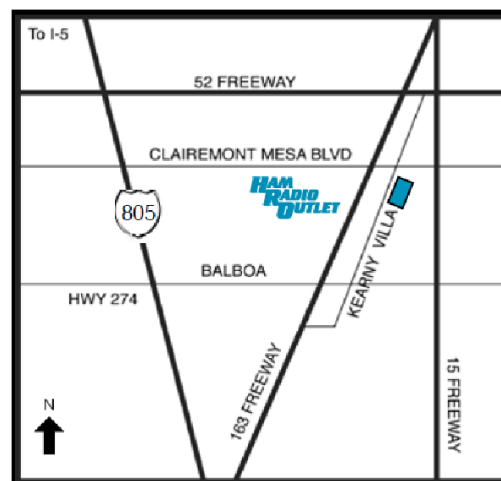
From the [UDXF](http://UDXF) website, dated May 30, 2010:

The date for the constitutional change in the Netherlands Antilles is now set for 10-10-10. In 2009 I anticipated that this change would lead to four new DXCC entities. Recently the PJ2T team brought to my attention that – measured with Google Earth – the distance between Bonaire and Saba is 798.5 km (so slightly less than 800 km). With this distance the BES islands would count as one DXCC entity only.



**There is hope though:** ARRL does not use Google Earth but detailed Nautical charts or Geodetic Survey charts with a high level of detail to determine the distance between two points.

Calculating the distance between Bonaire at (my best guess) 12°13' 18.07"N 68°11'51.25"W and Saba on 17°36'56.26"N 63°15'06.32"W using the WGS84 Earth Model the distance is 799.4 km. Using the spherical model, where 1 minute is 1 Nautical Mile the distance calculated is 800.6 km.



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## July Contests

Contest	Start Date	Start Time	End Date	End Time
IARU HF Championship	10-July	1200Z	11-July	1200Z
RSGB IOTA Contest	24-July	1200Z	25-July	1200Z